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LEED for Neighborhood Development: REPORTS FROM NEW ENGLAND PROJECTS

LEED for Neighborhood Development Workshop

Friday, January 11th 2007

Federal Reserve Bank, Boston, MA

Come hear about a new rating system developed by the US Green Building Council in collaboration with the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC). Unlike the US Green Building Council's other rating systems that focus on green building practices, LEED for Neighborhood Development (LEED-ND) focuses on site selection and design, and the elements that bring buildings together into a neighborhood and relate the neighborhood to the larger region and landscape.

Go to [LEED-ND Workshop page](#) for additional information and registration.



"The Business of Brownfields" '08

April 17 & 18, 2008

David L. Lawrence Convention Center
Pittsburgh, PA

The Foremost Technical Conference addressing Brownfields Development. Since 1995 the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania has presented an annual conference on the subject of brownfields reclamation. In fact, the ESWP was in the brownfields conference business even before the term "brownfields" was commonly used when referring to environmentally impaired sites.

The Call for Papers has been extended to **December 21, 2007**. Visit the [Conference page](#) for details.

Brownfields2008 Roadmap to Revitalization

MAY 5-7, 2008 - COBO CENTER, DETROIT, MI

Brownfields 2008 Conference

The next National Brownfields Conference is scheduled for May 5 – 7, 2008 at Detroit Cobo Center, Detroit, MI.

- Conference registration is now open. Go to the [registration page](#) to register now!
- A Transaction Forum will take place on Monday, May 5th, from 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m at the Cobo Center. Go to the [transaction forum](#) page to register your properties! Deadline is **April 11, 2008**.
- A list of [Mobile Workshops](#) is now available. Online registration for the mobile workshops and walking tours will open soon, so be sure to check back for more information.
- [Poster Gallery & Competition](#) ideas are now being accepted. The deadline for submission is **January 4, 2008**.
- Become an endorser for Brownfields 2008. Endorsers are companies, organizations and agencies that officially acknowledge the conference as a premier national brownfields event. Go to the [Endorsers page](#) learn more.

The Northeast Brownfields Development Forum

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Cosponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and The International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC).

Tuesday, **February 12th**, at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown (1201 Market Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107)

Come join major retailers, developers, local, state and federal officials in this one day educational forum and deal making event.

Go to the [ICSC site](#) for more information and to register for the Forum.





Watershed Connections: Free Training for Municipal Boards and Concerned Citizens

Taunton River Watershed Alliance (TRWA), Mass Audubon, and the Campaign are offering a series of workshops for watershed residents, municipal volunteers and town staff. All workshops include FREE training units from the MACC "fundamentals" classes for Conservation Commissioners!

Conservation Commission Fundamentals: Three units of the Mass Association of Conservation Commissions "fundamentals" classes, led by Attorney Michael Sites (MACC President). The remaining third unit is:

- Open Space and Recreation Plans, Saturday, **January 5th**, 2008, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the Howard School cafeteria, 70 Howard Street, West Bridgewater.

Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, with Jonathan Regosin, Regulatory Review Manager. Thursday, **February 28th, 2008**, 7:00 p.m. at the Great Hall at Halifax Town Hall, 499 Plymouth Street, Halifax.

Program details are available on the [TRWA website](#).



2008 River Rally

The ninth annual National River Rally will be held **May 2-5, 2008** at [Sawmill Creek Resort](#) in Huron, Ohio.

The River Rally is a unique learning and training opportunity for professional and volunteer river and watershed leaders. Now is the chance for you to pass along your knowledge and expertise in one (or more) of the nearly 100 workshops that will be offered. Scholarships are available to workshop presenters.

See the [River Rally website](#) for more information.

Environmentally Sound Sustainable Practices Webpage

For information on how EPA New England supports strategies which result in adopting more environmentally sustainable practices, go to the [EPA New England Environmentally Sound Sustainable Practices page](#).



Massachusetts Smart Growth/Smart Energy Toolkit

The State of Massachusetts has published a new version of it's [Smart Growth/Smart Energy Toolkit](#). It is available online or a disk can be mailed to you. One of the new features of this version of the toolkit is a module on Brownfields redevelopment.

SMARTe

The beta version of the [SMARTe](#) website is now online. Sustainable Management Approaches and Revitalization Tools – electronic (SMARTe) is an open-source, web-based, decision support system for developing and evaluating future reuse scenarios for potentially contaminated land. SMARTe contains guidance and analysis tools for all aspects of the revitalization process including planning, environmental, economic, and social concerns.

EPA Community Energy Challenge

EPA is challenging all New England communities to save money and reduce air pollution by assessing their energy use, taking action to improve energy efficiency, and seeking out renewable energy choices. EPA will provide technical assistance to every community that chooses to [Take the Challenge](#)!



ASSESSMENT CLEANUP &
REDEVELOPMENT EXCHANGE SYSTEM

ACRES Information

The Assessment, Cleanup and Redevelopment Exchange System (ACRES) is an online database for Brownfields Grantees to electronically submit data directly to EPA.

Go to the [ACRES page](#) for more information, user guide, to register or to access the database.

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